

CLAIMS

1. A steering wheel, comprising:

a wheel section; and

5 a controller mounted on the wheel section for controlling
a predetermined device, wherein

the controller includes:

a rotating section operable to rotate about a
predetermined rotational axis; and

10 at least one switch for outputting a signal in response
to a rotation of the rotating section.

2. The steering wheel according to claim 1, wherein the
controller is mounted between at least a right or left end of the
15 wheel section and an upper end thereof.

3. The steering wheel according to claim 1, wherein the
rotating section is operable to rotate about the predetermined
rotational axis within a range from a first angle to a second angle.

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4. The steering wheel according to claim 1, wherein the
rotating section is operable to rotate about the predetermined
rotational axis from a predetermined reference position in two
directions.

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5. The steering wheel according to claim 1, wherein
the controller further includes a supporting section being
fixed to the wheel section,

the supporting section includes a cylindrical outer surface,
5 a central axis thereof coincides with the predetermined rotational
axis, and

the rotating section includes a cylindrical inner surface
having substantially a same diameter as that of the cylindrical
outer surface of the supporting section and sliding on the
10 cylindrical outer surface of the supporting section.